

LIVINGSTON  
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Columbus Ga. Feb. 23, 1937

My dear Mrs. LeNoir:

Your letter received a few days ago in regard to information regarding the LIVINGSTON family; the only information I can give you is taken from the family tree gotten up by my cousin, Mr. Claude Livingston of Washington D.C. If you will write him I think he can give you all the information you want. From this record which he has sent me I am glad to give you the following facts: James Livingston was the son of CORNELIUS, grandson of GILBERT, great-grandson of ROBERT, first Lord of the Manor. He was born near Richmond about 1740, served in the War of the Revolution. In about 1790, with his family and brothers Thomas and George, he moved from Virginia to Edgefield S.C.

Among the records of Spottsylvania Co. Va. is filed a power of attorney from James Livingston and Thomas Livingston of Edgefield S.C. on March 31, 1793, giving authority to their brother-in-law, Benjamin Wharton, to collect funds due them from the State. James Livingston died in 1813 and his will dated 1782 is on file in the Court House at Edgefield. It was filed Dec. 24, 1814 and left his estate to his sons John, Muscoe, Talliferro and Thomas, ~~and~~ his wife Elizabeth had died in 1809

The son JOHN LIVINGSTON was born in Va. Jan. 16, 1780 before his father moved to Edgefield, ~~xxxxxxxxxx22x1809~~ when he was ten years old...

Trusting that I may have helped you some in your search, and suggesting that you write to Claude Livingston in Washington, at 1519 K. St. as I feel sure he will send you a copy of his manuscript, and assuring you I should be glad to help in any other way possible,

Yours very respectfully,

(Signed) Demsey Livingston McCullohs.

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EXTRACT FROM LETTER SENT BY CLAUDE LIVINGSTON

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"My grandfather was JOHN LIVINGSTON who came from Carolina Co. Va. in 1790 with his father JAMES LIVINGSTON, to Edgefield South Carolina, where they lived until 1813 and then moved to Harris County Ga.... His will is still on file in Edgefield S.C.... The records of Cornelius Livingston, and his ancestors, is found quite complete in the Congressional Library, from the old Scottish family down through the children of Gilbert Livingston and his wife Cornelia Beckman, but no further... I have made many visits to the court houses in Tidewater Va. and to Libraries in Richmond, as well as in S.C. trying to get further information but the d--yankees burned so many buildings the records seem lost...

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We have complete photostat copies of the old JAMES LIVINGSTON Bible showing the names of all his children:

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Va. Hist. Mag. v. 1 p 287 shows "James Livingston, Fort-Major, is appointed Adjutant to the Va. Reg. Fort Cumberland Sept. 13, 1775 (Copied from Washington's original Ms. orders.)

Same v. 4 p. 294 Slave owners from Spottsylvania Co.

Thomas Livingston  
James Livingston  
Walker Taliferro  
John Taliferro



Notes from

William and Mary Quarterly 13:262

Va.Hist.Mag. (1) 35: 44

John Livingston lived in King and Queen Co. Va. 1750-1755 -  
father of John Jr. who married Frances Muscoe...

Note that comes nearest being proof of relationship

Wm. and Mary 20 p 300 Livingstons of Livingston Manor ... it is  
stated that Governor William Livingston applied for a commission  
in the Navy for Muscoe Livingston, a relative...  
Would Washington records show what relation he was?????????

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The romantic tradition in the family is that during the War of  
1864 some of the family were discussing the Livingstons of N.Y.  
one evening and discussing the relationship of this James Livingston  
being grandson of Cornelius and great grandson of Gilbert. A sweet  
old, old lady aunt listened, then left the room, and later returned  
and smiled and said "Well you can never proof you are relatives  
of that YANKEE as I have just burned every scrap of the records"

Dear Mrs. Leavenworth:

I have made notes  
from the enclosed, and am returning,  
P. A. D.



~~WORKSHEET~~

OR

~~PRELIMINARY~~ APPLICATION

THE FLORIDA SOCIETY OF ~~TO~~ THE NATIONAL SOCIETY  
OF THE  
SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

(Not to be used as a regular application)

I, Melville William Carruth, being of the age        years,

hereby apply for membership in this Society by right of lineal descent in the following line from       

Thomas Livingston

who was born in Richmond, Va. on the        day of       , 17 56,

and died in Abbeville Dist. S. C. on the        day of       , 1 822,

and who assisted in establishing American Independence.

I was born in Newnansville County of Alachua

State of Florida on the 13th day of Sept., 1 861

(1) I am the son of Thomas Alexander Carruth born 1835, died 1894, and

his wife Mary Ann Herring born 1834, died 1895, married 1854

(2) grandson of Cotesworth Logan Carruth born 1802, died 1865, and

his wife Caroline White Livingstone born 1807, died 1847, married 1833

(3) great-grandson of Thomas Livingston born 1756, died 1822, and

his wife Nancy Childs born abt. 1770, died       , married 1790

(4) great-great-grandson of Cornelius Livingston born 1725, died       , and

his wife Camilla Taliaferro born       , died       , married       

(5) great-great-great-grandson of Gilbert Livingston born       , died       , and

his wife Cornelia Beekman born       , died       , married       

(6) great-great-great-great-grandson of        born       , died       , and

his wife ? born       , died       , married       

and he, the said Thomas Beekman (No. 3) is the ancestor who assisted in

establishing American Independence, while acting in the capacity of a private soldier

ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS APPLICATION give the record and REFERENCES to the authorities for the services of your ancestor. Also, give the REFERENCES for the genealogy of Nos. 3, 4, 5, and 6.

References require name of record, volume, and page.

Return this form when completed to The Secretary, \*        Society, Sons of the American Revolution, who will advise you as to your eligibility and furnish the official blanks for regular application to the Society. Or, if preferred, this may be sent to the Secretary General of the National Society, S. A. R., at 1227 16th Street N. W., Washington, D. C.

1732  
according  
to  
M.R.



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who will advise as to the acceptability of the claim and refer it to the proper state officer.

NOTE: It is not absolutely necessary for admission to membership that all blank spaces provided for dates and pre-  
Revolutionary ancestors be filled, but it is extremely desirable.

Date April 13, 1923

Signed Melville William Carruth

Address Tampa, Florida

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

\* Note: Name of State Society through which applicant desires to affiliate with the National Society, S. A. R., should be entered in the blank space.

1732  
According  
to Ball's  
Chronicle  
(M 2)

ANCESTOR'S SERVICE:

Thomas Livingston served in the Revolutionary War as a private in Capt. Samuel Hanes Company, Second Virginia Regt. commanded by Alexander Spotswood, Esq. His name first appears on a pay roll of the Company for the month of May 1777, and last appears on a similar roll for the month of January 1778. -- Taken from Adjutant General's Office, War Dept., Washington, D. C.

An Act of the Assembly passed November session 1781 shows that on Nov. 27, 1783, there was issued to Thomas Livingston, an infantry soldier, a certificate for twelve pounds (12 £) twelve shillings (12 d.) The above data entered on line 30, page 254 of a manuscript volume in Virginia State Library known as "War 4".

Also on Feby 19, 1784, there was issued to Thomas Livingston (an infantry soldier) a certificate for Fourteen pounds (14£) Seventeen shillings (17d.) and six pence. This data entered on line 21 page 255, Manuscript volume, Virginia State Library, known as "War 4."

(Signed) Melville William Carruth



Bible of JOHN LIVINGSTON of Orangeburg South Carolina shows:

(We have certified copies of this)

John Livingston born Dec.18,1764

Martha Isabell born Aug.24,1766

Children:

Martin born 1785

Susannah born 1787

Sarah born 1789

John Henry born 1792

John born Dec.1794

Frederick born Aug.1797

Elizabeth born Mar.1802

Barnet born Sept. 1803

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Notes made:

Great grand-father James born 1804

Great-great grand-father Robert L. married Mrs.Lucy Dulpeach(Garrett)

Great-great-great grand-father James born 1754

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Line we wish to prove:

Robert Livingston- First Lord of the Manor  
had son

Gilbert Livingston born 1690 married Cornelia Beckman  
had son

Cornelius Livingston born between 1725 and 1730 married Camilla  
had son

James Livingston, born near Richmond between 1740 and 1754  
married Elizabeth Watson

had son

James Livingston who we know married Emma Hartridge



DATA SENT BY CLAUDE LIVINGSTON  
1519 K St. NW Washington D.C.

My great-grandfather was John Livingston who came from Carolina Co. Va. in 1790, with his father James, to Edgefield South Carolina where they lived until 1813. In that year John Livingston moved with his family to Georgia, settled in Harris County, where he is buried and where I lived until I was twenty years of age. His father (my great-great grandfather) James Livingston died in Edgefield. I have seen his will which is still on file in Edgefield. I have also seen a paper filed in Caroline County, Va. signed by both James and Thomas, as brothers, former residents of Carolina County, for the purpose of collecting money due them from the Government. This James Livingston, who died in Edgefield in 1813 was 72 years of age- that would make him born in 1741.

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The information filed with the Sons of American Revolution in Washington D.C. in re; membership of M.W. Carruth of Tampa Fla. also the family records of Mrs. N. Barnwell Heywood of Columbia, S.C.

Have made many visits to the court houses in Tidewater Virginia and libraries in Richmond, as well as South Carolina, trying to get more information but the d---yankees burned so many buildings that records are lost.

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Recent records show:

1. Robert Livingston married Lucy Dulpeach, of French Huguenot family.  
He was first cousin of Thomas and James and probably son of William, the brother of Cornelius. Their children were;  
Henry, paymaster in the army- supposed to have been killed by Indians  
Robert, graduated from West Point-killed in Mexican War  
Mary, married Mr. Watson of South Carolina.  
James married Emma Hartridge of Georgia
2. James and Emma (Hartridge) made their home in Georgia and had the following children:  
William m. Selma Holland  
Rosalie m. William Harn (2) Mr. Clay  
James married Julia Stockton  
Theodore m. Julia Burroughs  
Dr. John H. married Sophia Pringle  
Emma L. m. Mr. Jordan  
Leah m. Mr. Cox.  
Eugenia m. Mr. Flotard  
Eva married Mr. Baker (2) Mr. Byrd.



TALIAFERRO - LIVINGSTON

Kingston Church History page 189 shows:

Cornelius, son of Gilbert Livingston and his wife Cornelia Beckman  
was baptised April 30, 1732

A privately printed book on the "LIVINGSTON FAMILY" and showing  
no author or date- was given to us by Mrs. Minnie T. Talmage -

Page 43 ~~42~~ "Cornelius, the son of Gilbert and Cornelia Livingston  
born in Ulster County N.Y. between 1725 and 1730 ... moved  
to Virginia and married CAMILLA TALIAFERRO, and lived on  
his plantation near Richmond, where both are buried...  
Camilla Taliaferro was descended from Robert Taliaferro,  
Gentleman, who came to Gloucester Co. in 1635... married  
a daughter of Rev. Charles Grymes of Middlesex County...

Page 44 "Children of Cornelius and Camilla (Taliaferro) Livingston  
B 1754 James - wife Elizabeth m 1777 Oct  
- Taliaferro - died 1809 age  
Du 30 Theodore  
George  
Oscar  
Frances - married Mr. Wharton  
Thomas - married Mary Childs (2nd) Nancy Childs.

Page 45 "Thomas, son of Cornelius and Camilla Livingston, was born  
near Richmond about 1756 - served in the Revolution and  
settled in the Abbeville District South Carolina

and our lines are from this THOMAS-

I want proof of the marriage of CAMILLA TALIAFERRO and CORNELIUS  
and of the birth of their son THOMAS

This is the little  
book I sent  
Mr Stewart to look  
at -



February 22-1937 DATA furnished by William F. MacIntyre of Thomasville Ga

"Beginning with Robert Livingston who married Alida, widow of Rev. Nicholas Van Rensselaer, and dau. of Philip Schuyler ... had 5 sons and 4 daughters. Two of the sons and two of the daughters died, leaving the three sons, Philip Robert and Gilbert. To the eldest son Philip he left the bulk of his property including the whole Manor except 13,000 acres, afterwards known as Manor of Clermont, which he conveyed to Robert for discovering a plot of the negroes to take his life. To Gilbert he gave the estate at Sarasota.

Gilbert the third and youngest son married Cornelia Beekman Dec. 22, 1711 ... and settled on the Hudson River .... Their children were:

Robert who married Catherine McPhedros  
Margaret who married Peter Stuyvesant  
Johanna who married Gen. Pierre Van Cortland  
Alida who married Jacob Rutsen and 2nd Hen Van Rensselaer  
Catherine who married Thomas Thorn  
Philip who died  
John who married.....  
William - not known  
Samuel, supposed to have died at sea.  
Cornelius who married Camilla Taliaferro of Virginia

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James Taliaferro  
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Thomas who married 1st Mary Childs and 2nd Nancy Childs

"This I believe will carry you to your great grand-father James and my greatgrandfather Thomas."

Line as Mrs. Heggie's records show it:

Her grandfather - JAMES Livingston b. 1804 was son of

Robert Livingston b. 1778 ~~disappeared~~ married 1803  
to Mrs. Lucy (Garret) Dulpeach His will is on  
file in Greenville S.C. He was said to be son of

James Livingston born 1754  
Where and to whom married?  
Who were his parents?

The lovely story is that during the war the wife of this  
James Livingston, a sweet old old lady heard the family talking  
of the connections with the great New York family, and she quietly  
walked into the room and smilingly said "Well you shall never  
prove you are relatives of that YANKEE and I have just burned  
every scrap of records" and that is all!!!!